

Wisconsin Bear Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 13th, 2018

8:30 – 3:00

Room 223 Dreyfuss University Center (map provided separately)
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point campus

Agenda

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| 8:00 – 8:30 | Setup, coffee, and social time. |
| 8:30 – 8:40 | Agenda review & meeting overview |
| 8:40 – 8:50 | Public input (3 minutes per public attendee) |
| 8:50 – 3:00 | Revisiting bear population goal metrics |
| | Black Bear Range Expansion |
| | Season dates and season structure |
| | ✓ Opening date |
| | ✓ Alternating hound hunting and bait sitting options |
| | ✓ Other options |
| | ✓ Spring bear season |
| Lunch | Hunting methodology |
| 11:30 - Noon | ✓ Effect of baiting on conflicts and bear health |
| | ✓ Length of baiting and training seasons |
| | ✓ Amount of bait/number of bait sites allowed |
| | ✓ Type of bait allowed |
| | Tribal topics |
| | ✓ Tribal and nontribal hunting parties |
| | ✓ Tribal declaration process and thresholds |
| | Leftover permits |
| | Wait times vs. success rates |
| | Public versus private land harvest |
| 2:55 | Discuss next steps |
| 3:00 | Adjourn |

Additional issues to discuss If time allows:

Black Bear Information/Research Needs

- Stationary funding for research
- Permit dollar research
- Research needs
- Tagging and research of bear- need more transparency of when it is being done and what it means for hunters/public
- Research needs- study on bear movement in Zone C, and other areas with higher populated/urbanized areas of our state

Outreach & Education

- Educational program on bears for southern parts of the state
- Learn to hunt/ youth programs
- Increasing information stream/transparency between WDNR and public
- Improving hunter behavior